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SUBJ: UN DEL TO PNG INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATION

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1. UN DEL TO PNG INDEPENDENCE CEREMONIES WILL INCLUDE TANG MING CHAO, UNDER-SECRETARY FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS AND DECOLONIZATION; MICHAEL CHELCHOVSKI OF THE ADMIN AND MANAGEMENT STAFF OF THE UN SEC; JAMES MURRAY (UK); ROBERT IMMERMANN (US); AND PIERRE GARRIGUE-GUYONNAUD (FRANCE) OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL, AS WELL AS THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE OF 24 REPRESENTATIVES: HASSAN ABDULDJALIL, INDONESIA; PAUL RUPIA, TANZANIA; VINCENT D. LASSE, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO; AND ARUN BUDHIRAJA, INDIA. THE SOVIETS WILL NOT SEND A REPRESENTATIVE.

2. FOLLOWING IS BIO INFO ON DELEGATION MEMBERS:

A). TANG MING CHAO, UNDER SECRETARY FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS, AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE: TANG HAS HELD HIS PRESENT POSITION SINCE 1972. HE WAS AN ALTERNATIVE REPRESENTATIVE IN THE DELEGATION OF THE PRC TO THE 26TH SESSION OF THE GA WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR. HE IS ALSO DEPUTY TO THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF THE PRC. TANG WAS BORN IN 1910 IN KWANGTUNG PROVINCE, GRADUATED FROM TSINGHUA UNIVERSITY AND STUDIED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA. HE SERVED AS COUNCIL MEMBER OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE'S

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INSTITUTE OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND OF THE CHINESE

PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION FOR FRIENDSHIP WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES. TANG IS FLUENT IN ENGLISH, MANDARIN AND CANTONESE. HE IS MARRIED AND HAS TWO DAUGHTERS. TANG HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS AN ALTOGETHER ENGAGING PERSON, FRIENDLY, SOFT-SPOKEN AND WILLING TO DISCUSS ALMOST ANY ISSUE. HE IS ARTICULATE AND CONFIDENT OF HIMSELF. ALTHOUGH A UN OFFICIAL, HE DOES NOT HESITATE TO EXPLAIN AND DEFEND THE CHINESE POSITION.

B). HASSAN ABDULDJALIK: ABDULDJALIK HAS BEEN IN NEW YORK SINCE 1972. USUN FILES REFLECT NO BIO DATA ON HIM. CAN DEPT SUPPLEMENT?

C). PAUL RPUIA. ALTERNATE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF TANZANIA TO THE UN: RUPA WAS IN NEW YORK FOR THE 28TH AND 29TH GA AND WAS APPOINTED NUMBER 3 AT HIS MISSION EARLIER THIS YEAR. RUPA IS EXTREMELY STRONG AND CONFIDENT, AND HAS BEEN DESCRIBED BY USUN MIS OFFS AS INTELLIGENT, FRIENDLY, FRANK, AND REASONABLE. RUPA SPEAKS ENGLISH AND SWAHILI.

D). VINCENT D. LASSE, SECOND SECRETARY, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO MISSION TO THE UN: LASSE, WHO HAS BEEN AT THE UN SINCE 1972 IS RAPPORTEUR OF THE COMMITTEE OF 24. HE HAS LIVED IN THE US FOR FOURTEEN YEARS AND RECEIVED HIS BA AND LAW DEGREE FROM HOWARD UNIVERSITY. HE HAS PREVIOUSLY SERVED SOME FOUR TO FIVE YEARS IN THE UN SECRETARIAT, DEALING WITH LOS MATTERS. WHILE LASSE APPEARS "AT FIRST BLUSH" VERY HELPFUL, HE IS SOMEWHAT TIMID AND MALLEABLE (FROM USUN POINT OF VIEW) IN "UNFRIENDLY" HANDS.

E). A.K. BUDHIRAJA, COUNSELLOR, INDIAN PERMANENT MISSION TO THE UN: BUDHIRAJA CAME TO NEW YORK IN 1973, AFTER A TOUR IN SRI LANKA. BEFORE THAT HE HAD A TOUR IN THE INDIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY AND STILL EARLIER SERVED IN THE INDIAN CONSULTATE GENERAL IN SAN FRANCISCO. BUDHIRAJA HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS INTELLIGENT, WITHOUT AFFECTATION, AND HAVING WIDE RANGING NON-PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS. PLUMP AND JOVIAL IN DEMEANOR, HIS APPEARANCE BELIES HIS PENETRATING MIND AND COOL JUDGMENT. OF THE MORE SENIOR MEMBERS OF THE INDIAN MISSION, BUDHIRAJA HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS THE BEST DISPOSED TOWARDS THE US.

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F). MICHAEL CHELCHOVSKI: CHELCHOVSKI IS A POLISH CITIZEN. USUN FILES REFLECT NO BIO DATA ON HIM.

G). JAMES MURRAY: ALTERNATE UK REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UN AND PRESIDENT OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL: MURRAY WHO IS IN HIS 60'S WAS PREVIOUSLY BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO RWANDA AND BURUNDI (EARLY 1960'S) AND CONSUL GENERAL IN SAN FRANCISCO. HE TAKES HIS WORK VERY SERIOUSLY. THIS TOUR WILL PROBABLY BE HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT BEFORE

RETIREMENT.

H). PIERRE GARRIGUE-GUYONNAUD, FIRST SECRETARY,
FRENCH MISSION TO UN: GARRIGUE-GUYONNAUD IS ON
EITHER HIS FIRST OR SECOND ASSIGNMENT IN THE DIPLO-
MATIC CORPS AND IS RATHER JUNIOR IN HIS MISSION. HE
SPEAKS POOR ENGLISH. GARRIGUE-GUYONNAUD WORKS ON
AFRICAN AFFAIRS AND DECOLONIZATION MATTERS.
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